Account Certification
Process Refresher and Resources
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1) Each month WD generates the Account Certifications and assigns Preparer and Approver roles to the Account Certifications based on the following **base roles** on the respective worktags:

**FDM Combinations | Worktags + Role Assignments**

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<th>FDM Worktag Combination</th>
<th>Sample Account Cert Naming</th>
<th>Preparer</th>
<th>Approver</th>
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<tr>
<td>Grant not in GRH005 Federal Financial Aid (FFA) including Cost Share</td>
<td>GR000048</td>
<td>Grant Financial Analyst</td>
<td>Grant Account Certifier</td>
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<td>Grant in GRH005 Federal Financial Aid (FFA) ex: Federal Work Study</td>
<td>GR000081 / CC0195</td>
<td>Cost Center Fiscal Specialist</td>
<td>Cost Center Manager</td>
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<td>Project</td>
<td>PJ12345</td>
<td>Project Budget Specialist</td>
<td>Project Budget Manager</td>
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<td>Designated + Cost Center</td>
<td>DN000050 / CC0195</td>
<td>Cost Center Fiscal Specialist</td>
<td>Cost Center Manager</td>
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<td>Gift in GFH061 Allocated Gifts - Alternate Hierarchy + Cost Center</td>
<td>GF123456 / CC0195</td>
<td>Cost Center Fiscal Specialist</td>
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<td>Gift not in GFH061 Allocated Gifts - Alternate Hierarchy + Cost Center</td>
<td>GF987654 / CC0195</td>
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<td>Unit Gift Manager</td>
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[https://uvafinance.virginia.edu/resources/what-are-roles-account-certification](https://uvafinance.virginia.edu/resources/what-are-roles-account-certification)
Account Certification | Roles & Workflow

Preparer for Account Certification
Ensures that all transactions are appropriate, necessary, and supported by documentation.

Approver for Account Certification
Verifies the legitimacy, appropriateness, and necessity of transactions recorded.

Preparer for Account Certification
Takes necessary corrective actions to address any variances identified. Includes a comment about the corrective action prior to completing the inbox task.

To Do Step: Acknowledge/Remediate Variances (if necessary)

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WHICH ROLES DO YOU NEED FOR ACCOUNT CERTIFICATION?

Users will need a combination of these three roles to view and complete Acs:

- **Base Role**: Assigned by Security via System Access Request. Assigned to worktags.
- **Preparer/Approver Role**: Assigned via integration when Account Certs are generated. Assigned to the Account Certs. Can be reassigned by WD Finance Support.
- **Finance Reporting Viewer**: Assigned by Security to all Finance users.

Example:

Cost Center Manager CC1035 + Approver for Account Certification for DN001366 / CC1035 - Sep FY2023-2024 - UVa Fiscal Year + Finance Reporting Viewer

Also see [I need access to Account Certifications. What do I need to do?](#) for more details.
PLEASE NOTE:

1) Once the Account Certifications have been generated for the month, the Preparer and Approver roles assigned to them are static and do not change. Subsequent changes to the base roles on the worktags only affect future Account Certifications.

2) It is the department’s responsibility to ensure the right people are assigned to the base roles on the worktags. To change the role assignments, e.g. to remove or add a role assignment, a System Access Request to Security needs to be submitted. In certain cases, a Mass Security Request can be submitted to the Security Team via AskFinance. See FAQ “My Account Certifications are going to the wrong person, what should I do?” for more details.

3) Current, already generated Account Certifications have to be reassigned by the WD Finance Support team. To have already generated Account Certs reassigned, please follow this process: Request Account Certification Reassignment (Quick Reference Guide). Please note the following when requesting reassignments:
   ◦ Preparer cannot be the same as Approver
   ◦ The Preparer step cannot be reassigned once an Account Cert has been prepared. Likewise, Approver step cannot be reassigned if the Account Cert has been certified.
   ◦ We cannot remove a Preparer/Approver once the Account Certs have been generated. We can only reassign from one person to another.
4) **How do I request reassignment of an Account Certification when an employee is on leave?** For previous months Account Certifications that were already pushed out, you can request the account certifications be reassigned using the Reassignment Request Template within the Account Certification UBI. If the person will be on leave across a month end when a new Account Certification will be pushed out, you will need to request the role using the Workday System Access Request. If this is a temporary role, you will need to use the Workday System Access Request to remove the role once you are no longer responsible the Account Certification. **WD Finance Support will generally not accommodate standing reassignment request.**

5) **Preparers** please do not send Account Certifications back to the generator (i.e. WD Finance Support at the moment). The generator does not have insight into the underlying transactions. If you have question about the transaction(s) you are certifying, please reach out the initiator of the transaction(s). Likewise, please do not send the Account Certifications back if you believe you have been wrongfully assigned the Preparer/Approver role for a particular Account Cert. In this case a **Reassignment Request** and/or **System Access Request** should be submitted. Also see **What do I do if I do not agree with a charge? Do I send it back?** for more details.
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- Workday Account Certification home page
- My Account Certifications are going to the wrong person, what should I do?
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